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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph 1 on page 1 as follows:

-- This is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/724,753, filed on November 28, 2000, which in turn is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/123,638, filed on July 28, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,162,603, which is in turn a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/703,601, filed on August 23, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,849,849, which in turn is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/232,233, filed on May 5, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,565,322, which was filed under 35 U.S.C. §371 based on International Application PCT/US92/09827, filed November 6, 1992, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/250,951, ~~filed on May 27, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,532,129, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 07/790,262, filed November 7, 1991, now abandoned.~~ Excluding U.S. Application Serial No. 08/703,601, filed on August 23, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,849,849. ~~[[E]]~~each of the above-identified patents and applications is expressly incorporated herein by reference. --